

County of El Dorado

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Minutes

Mental Health Commission

Jim Abram, Chair, West Slope Council / Countywide

Denise Burke, Chair, Tahoe Council

Sue Novasel, Board of Supervisors Representative

*Michael Ranalli, Board of Supervisors Alternate
Representative*

Dr. Richard Lynn, Vice-Chair, Tahoe Council

Jan Melnicoe, Vice Chair, West Slope Council

Ben Ehrler, Secretary, Tahoe Council

Bonnie McLane, Secretary, West Slope Council

Dan Boals, Commissioner, West Slope Council

Dr. Stephen Clavere, Commissioner, West Slope Council

Steve Ehrler, Commissioner, Tahoe Council

Guadalupe Medrano, Commissioner, West Slope Council

Vacant, Commissioner, Tahoe Council

Craig Therkildsen, Commissioner, West Slope Council

Brookes Heil-Blackburn, Commissioner, West Slope Council

Norman Nester, Commissioner, West Slope Council

Stacy Bolton, Associate Member

Vacant (1) Commissioner, West Slope Council

Vacant (2) Associate Member

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

5:00 PM

Meeting Locations (in person and connected via
tele/video-conferencing):

- Health and Human Service Agency, 3057 Briw Road, Sierra Room, Placerville, CA
 - Mental Health Office, 1900 Lake Tahoe Blvd., Suite 103, South Lake Tahoe, CA
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Public Comment: Matters not on the agenda may be addressed by the general public during Public Comment. Comments during Public Comment are limited to three minutes per person and the total amount of time reserved for Public Comment may be limited.

Public comment will be received on each agendized item listed under Discussion / Action Items as called by the Chair. Individual comments are limited to three minutes and individuals speaking for a group are allocated five minutes. Except with the consent of the Commission, individuals shall be allowed to speak to an item only once. Upon completion of public comment the matter shall be returned to the Commission for deliberation. Members of the public shall not be entitled to participate in that deliberation. The Commission reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote.

5:00 PM CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL; INTRODUCTIONS

Associate Members: Stacy Bolton

Guests: Barry Harwell, Ken Holtz, Jeanne Nelson, Marsha Ticas, Chris Stedeford

HHSA Staff: Patricia Charles-Heathers, Angelina Larrigan, Sabrina Owen, Brandi Reid, Jamie Samboceti, Ren Scammon, Tami Smith, Laura Walny, Shirley White

Present: 12 - Richard Lynn, Denise Burke, Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Dan Boals, Steve Ehrler, Ben Ehrler, Bonnie McLane, Brookes Heil-Blackburn and Norman Nester

Absent: 2 - Guadalupe Medrano and Sue Novasel

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner McLane, seconded by Commissioner Melnicoe, to adopt the agenda as written.

Yes: 12 - Richard Lynn, Denise Burke, Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Dan Boals, Steve Ehrler, Ben Ehrler, Bonnie McLane, Brookes Heil-Blackburn and Norman Nester

Absent: 2 - Guadalupe Medrano and Sue Novasel

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. [16-0933](#) Approval of the August 24, 2016 Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Melnicoe, seconded by Commissioner Nester, to approve the August 24, 2016 meeting minutes with the following correction to the final sentence in the Action Item 16-0870 AB403 (Stone) Continuum of Care Reform Update:

"There will be a two year phase in time for agencies who cannot meet the January goal for some phases."

2. [16-0941](#) Ad Hoc Committee Update for South Lake Tahoe Behavioral Health Court

Commissioner Lynn gave a presentation to the Commissioners regarding the Ad Hoc Committee findings for the South Lake Tahoe Behavioral Health Court. There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and handouts were provided.

Public Comment: J. Nelson

3. [16-1013](#) First Episode Psychosis (FEP) / Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC) Program Update

Sabrina Owen and Jamie Samboceti provided the Commissioners with an overview of the First Episode Psychosis (FEP) program and Navigate, which is a program under the Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC) program. There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and handouts were provided.

Public Comment: B. Harwell, J. Nelson

4. [16-0938](#) AB403 (Stone) Continuum of Care Reform Update

Barry Harwell provided the Commissioners with an update on AB403 and answered questions from the Commissioners.

Public Comment: none

5. [16-0940](#) Update on Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program

Jamie Samboceti provided the Commissioners with an update on Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) and answered questions from the Commissioners. Next steps are to have a collaborative meeting with the judges and others involved to identify roles and responsibilities.

Public Comment: none

6. [16-0937](#) Questions Comments on Behavior Health Division Monthly Report

Commissioner Boals asked about a recent PHF incident that he heard about. Ren Scammon stated that the incident was handled and law enforcement responded.

Commissioner Clavere stated that the PHF occupancy still seems low. Jamie Samboceti stated that there have been some high acuity patients recently. Due to safety concerns, these patients were housed in separate rooms instead of having two patients to a room.

Commissioner Clavere asked about the recent Innovation plan approval by the MHSCAC and wanted clarification on what the three tiered calculation is for administrative costs. Ren Scammon explained that there are three types of administrative overhead; A-87 admin, agency admin and division admin.

Commissioner Clavere expressed concern about there only being two MHSA Community Program Planning Process meetings outside of working hours. Laura Walny explained that the MHSA team will be taking a new approach to getting input this year because historically, attendance at community meetings has been low. This year, we will be going to existing meetings to reach more stakeholders, conducting key informant interviews, in addition to the online and hard copy surveys.

Commissioner Melnicoe asked what the next steps were for implementation of the Innovation plans. Ren Scammon advised that there is a recruitment out currently for Public Health Nurses for the Community-Based Engagement and Support Services project and that we have the forms for and are developing policies and procedures internally for the Restoration of Competency in an Outpatient Setting project.

Commissioner Melnicoe stated that she has received many positive comments about the recent Celebrating Wellness event in Diamond Springs.

Public Comment: none

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Abram stated that the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions sent out a flyer with upcoming trainings. Any Commissioners interested in becoming a trainer should contact him for more information.

Commissioner Clavere requested an upcoming agenda item to request medical and mental health procedures from the El Dorado County Jail for review by the Commission.

Commissioner Clavere expressed concern over the Board of Supervisors decision to fill the MHSA Director position with someone who does not meet the qualifications for the mental health director as mandated by the State. He stated that the county mental health director must be either a licensed physician or a licensed mental health professional. Jamie Samboceti clarified that the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) may appoint the director provided they meet the standards of education and experience established by the DHCS. Director Charles-Heather indicated that she already submitted her resume and her credentials and that she was approved by DHCS.

DETERMINE NEXT MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting of the Mental Health Commission is scheduled for 5:00 PM on October 26, 2016.

6:35 PM ADJOURNMENT